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SUBJECT: SECVISIT BONN DRAFT TEXTS FOR STATEMENTS

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1. DRAFT ARRIVAL STATEMENT FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE IN THE FEDERAL
REPUBLIC AGAIN. I REGRET THAT MY STAY HAS TO BE SHORT--
SO SHORT, IN FACT, THAT THERE WAS NO TIME EVEN TO FIT IN
A FUSSBALL GAME.

WE HAVE JUST COME FROM A STAY OF SEVERAL DAYS IN
THE MIDDLE EAST WHERE I MET WITH ARAB AND ISRAELI
LEADERS TO EXPLORE FURTHER MOVES TOWARD A SETTLEMENT IN
THE AREA. I INTEND TO BRIEF CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT AND
FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER FULLY ON THE RESULTS OF MY
DISCUSSIONS AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING THEIR VIEWS
ON THESE AND OTHER MATTERS. I ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE
TO OUR CONSULTATIONS, WHICH PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR A
COOPERATIVE APPROACH TO THE PROBLEMS WE FACE TOGETHER.

2. DRAFT TEXT FOR TOAST BY SECRETARY KISSINGER AT
LUNCH, FEBRUARY 16.

MINISTER GENSCHER, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS:
ONE OF THE BENEFITS OF JET-AGE DIPLOMACY IS THAT
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THOSE OF US WHO ARE ENTRUSTED WITH THE DIRECTION OF OUR

COUNTRIES' FOREIGN AFFAIRS GET TO SEE MORE OF EACH OTHER THAN IN THE PAST. ONE OF THE DISADVANTAGES--THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN, AS IT WERE--IS THAT THE LENGTH OF OUR GET-TOGETHERS ALSO BECOMES SOMEHOW ADAPTED TO THE PACE OF THE JET AGE.

IT IS A MEASURE OF THE GRACIOUSNESS AND EFFICIENCY WITH WHICH YOU CONDUCT THESE AFFAIRS IN BONN THAT WHENEVER I DROP IN OUT OF THE BLUE FOR A VISIT OF 24 HOURS OR LESS, I NEVER HAVE A FEELING OF UNDUE HASTE OR A FEELING THAT THE VISIT, OWING TO ITS BREVITY, WAS ONLY marginally worthwhile. ON THE CONTRARY, I LEAVE THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC EACH TIME WITH THE SENSE OF A VALUABLE MISSION ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN AN ATMOSPHERE OF RELAXED AND GENEROUS HOSPITALITY.

OUR MEETING ON THIS OCCASION IS PARTICULARLY TIMELY. I HARDLY NEED SAY THAT EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST ARE IN A CRITICAL PHASE AND THAT A PEACEFUL AND DURABLE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEMS THERE IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE TO THE WHOLE WORLD. THEIR RESOLUTION WILL REQUIRE A HIGH LEVEL OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE MAJOR INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES AND, THEREFORE, THE MOST DETAILED POSSIBLE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN US SO THAT WE CAN PROCEED, INSOFAR AS HUMANLY POSSIBLE, ON THE BASIS OF THE SAME FACTUAL KNOWLEDGE AND THE SAME ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION IN APPROACHING THE TASKS THAT LIE BEFORE US. IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT I ESPECIALLY VALUE THESE CONSULTATIONS AND THAT I APPRECIATE SO MUCH THE CARE AND TIME YOU HAVE DEVOTED TO THEM.

3. DRAFT DEPARTURE STATEMENT FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

WE HAVE HAD A DAY OF USEFUL DISCUSSIONS ON A NUMBER OF MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC. I AM GRATEFUL TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, IN PARTICULAR TO THE CHANCELLOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER, FOR THEIR TIME AND THE FRIENDLY RECEPTION THEY HAVE GIVEN US. THE CONSULTATIONS HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTIVE AND USEFUL, AND THE HOSPITALITY, AS ALWAYS, HAS BEEN MOST GENEROUS. I REGRET ONLY THAT OUR STAY HAS HAD TO BE SO SHORT.

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